

515.101(d)(1) Incentive Payment Levels

Incentive payments are considered an incentive to try the practice, not a guaranteed payment amount. If a contract is scheduled for a given amount of a practice, and the producer does less than the contracted amount in a specific year, the unimplemented amounts may not be rescheduled for future years in the contract. This applies only to the practices shown below:

Contour Farming
Conservation Crop Rotation (Organic)
Feed Management
Irrigation Water Management
Pest Management (non-Tribal, Only)
Cover Crops
Nutrient Management
Residue Management

Example: A producer has a contract for 100 acres of nutrient management. In the first year, only 92 acres are applied. The remaining 8 acres may not be rescheduled later in the contract. The following years may remain at 100 acres.

Exceptions may be made at the field level when the producer is able to implement none of the practice in a particular year due to circumstances beyond the producer's control (weather related, health issues, etc.).